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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action dated July 12, 2004, having a shortened statutory period expiring October 12, 2004. Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time within which to file this Response to Non-Final Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until November 12, 2004. The extension fee of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.